

1 **Listing of Claims:**

2 1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
3 receiving an identifier associated with a computing system and/or  
4 computing system user;  
5 assessing existing hardware and/or software computing system resources  
6 available on the computing system to develop an assessment;  
7 utilizing the assessment to identify new resources, including at least one of  
8 a new application, a software update, configuration information, personal  
9 information, a configuration setting, or a personal setting to enhance the  
10 operational capability of the computing system, wherein the new application is not  
11 preinstalled on the computing system;  
12 ~~comparing the assessed computing system resources against authorized and~~  
13 ~~available computing system resources; and~~  
14 receiving the new application; and  
15 automatically modifying the computing system resources based, at least in  
16 part, on the assessment of the computing system resources by selectively installing  
17 the new application ~~and/or configuring certain of the computing system resources~~  
18 ~~to include at least some of the authorized and available computing system~~  
19 ~~resources and settings found to be missing from the assessed computing system~~  
20 ~~resources.~~

21  
22 2. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the computing  
23 system is a communications device.  
24  
25

1           3.     **(Original)**   A method according to claim 1, wherein the identifier  
2 associated with a computing system and/or computing system user is received  
3 from the computing system.

4  
5           4.     **(Previously Presented)**   A method according to claim 1, wherein  
6 the identifier associated with the computing system and/or computing system user  
7 is received from the computing system and/or a communications device associated  
8 with the computing system user, wherein the communications device is not  
9 coupled directly to the computing system.

10  
11          5.     **(Previously Presented)**   A method according to claim 4, further  
12 comprising:

13               automatically modifying system resources of the communications device  
14 based, at least in part, on the assessment of the computing system resources.

15  
16          6.     **(Previously Presented)**   A method according to claim 1, further  
17 comprising :

18               selectively updating certain of the computing system resources based, at  
19 least in part, on the comparison of the assessed computing system resources  
20 against authorized and available computing system resources.

21  
22          7.     **(Original)**   A method according to claim 1, wherein the computing  
23 system is a communications device, the method further comprising:

24               assessing communications device resources;  
25

1 comparing the assessed communications device resources against  
2 authorized and available communications device resources; and

3 selectively installing, configuring and/or updating one or more  
4 communications device resources based, at least in part, on the assessed  
5 communications resources.

6  
7 8. **(Previously Presented)** A method according to claim 1, wherein  
8 the identifier is received from the computing system and/or a communications  
9 device associated with the computing system user remote from the computing  
10 system, the method further comprising:

11 automatically modifying communications device resources based, at least  
12 in part, on an assessment of the communications device resources.

13  
14 9. **(Original)** A method according to claim 8, wherein the identifier  
15 is one or more of a telephone number associated with the user, an electronic serial  
16 number (ESN) of the communications device associated with the user, an  
17 electronic identifier associated with the computing system, and/or a serial number  
18 associated with one or more hardware and/or software resources of the computing  
19 system.

20  
21 10. **(Original)** A method according to claim 1, wherein the identifier  
22 is one or more of a telephone number associated with the user, an electronic serial  
23 number (ESN) of a communications device associated with the user, an electronic  
24 identifier associated with the computing system, and/or a serial number associated  
25 with one or more hardware and/or software resources of the computing system.

1  
2 11. **(Original)** A storage medium comprising a plurality of executable  
3 instructions which, when executed, implement a method according to claim 1.  
4

5 12. **(Original)** A server comprising:  
6 a storage device having stored therein a plurality of executable instructions;  
7 and  
8 a control unit, coupled to the storage device, to execute at least a subset of  
9 the plurality of executable instructions to implement a method according to claim  
10 1.  
11

12 13. **(Currently Amended)** A server comprising:  
13 a storage device to maintain a profile of personal resources, including an  
14 application that is ~~are~~-available to authorized users and is ~~are~~-missing from a  
15 computing system; and

16 a configuration agent, coupled to the storage device, to receive an identifier  
17 associated with the computing system and/or computing system user and  
18 automatically configure resources of the computing system to include ~~at least~~  
19 ~~some of the application the resources that are available to authorized users~~ based,  
20 at least in part, on an assessment of the resources of the computing system  
21 ~~resources~~.  
22

23 14. **(Previously Presented)** A server according to claim 13, wherein  
24 an assessment of the computing system resources comprises an assessment of at  
25

1 least one of an operating system, configuration settings, personalization settings,  
2 Internet settings or application settings on the computing system.

3  
4 15. **(Previously Presented)** A server according to claim 13, wherein  
5 the profile includes a list of identifiers associated with authorized users and the  
6 configuration agent accesses a user profile on the storage device based, at least in  
7 part, on the identifier.

8  
9 16. **(Previously Presented)** A server according to claim 13, wherein  
10 the configuration agent receives the identifier from the computing system and/or a  
11 communications device remote from the computing system associated with the  
12 computing system user.

13  
14 17. **(Currently Amended)** A server according to claim 16, wherein  
15 the configuration agent ~~is further~~ automatically modifies communications device  
16 resources based, at least in part, on an assessment of communications device  
17 resources.

18  
19 18. **(Previously Presented)** A server according to claim 13, wherein  
20 the configuration agent is further configured to update the computing system  
21 resources.

22  
23 19. **(Original)** A server according to claim 13, wherein the identifier  
24 is one or more of a telephone number associated with the user, an electronic serial  
25 number (ESN) of a communications device associated with the user, an electronic

1 identifier associated with the computing system, a serial number associated with  
2 one or more hardware and/or software resources of the computing system.

3  
4 20. **(Previously Presented)** A server according to claim 13, wherein  
5 the storage device includes a plurality of executable instructions, the server further  
6 comprising:

7 a controller, coupled to the storage device, to execute at least a subset of the  
8 plurality of executable instructions to implement an instance of the configuration  
9 agent.

10  
11 21. **(Currently Amended)** A storage medium comprising a plurality  
12 of executable instructions including at least a subset of which that, when executed,  
13 implement a configuration agent,

14 to conduct an assessment of ~~assess system resources of a computing system~~  
15 resources upon receipt of an identifier associated with the computing system  
16 and/or computing system user, and to automatically ~~modify resources of the~~  
17 ~~computing system to include available and authorized resources~~ download and  
18 install on the computing system an application not preinstalled on the computing  
19 system, the application being associated with the received identifier based, at least  
20 in part, on the ~~an~~ assessment of computing system resources.

21  
22 22. **(Previously Presented)** A storage medium according to claim 21,  
23 wherein the configuration agent is further configured to update computing system  
24 resources.

1           23.   **(Original)**   A storage medium according to claim 21, wherein the  
2 configuration agent interrogates the computing system upon receipt of the  
3 identifier to assess computing system resources.

4  
5           24.   **(Currently Amended)**   A storage medium according to claim 23,  
6 wherein the configuration agent modifies the computing system resources to  
7 include available and authorized resources ~~downloads and automatically installs~~  
8 ~~system resources on the computing system~~ based, at least in part, on the assessed  
9 assessment of the computing system resources.

10  
11           25.   **(Original)**   A storage medium according to claim 21, wherein the  
12 computing system is a communications device.

13  
14           26.   **(Currently Amended)**   A storage medium according to claim 21,  
15 wherein the identifier is received from a communications device remote from the  
16 computing system, and wherein the configuration agent automatically modifies  
17 ~~system resources of the~~ computing system resources and the communications  
18 device resources based, at least in part, on assessment of system resources of the  
19 computing system and communications device.

20  
21           27.   **(Currently Amended)**   A computing system comprising:  
22           a storage device having stored thereon a plurality of executable  
23 instructions;  
24           a network interface, communicatively coupling the computing system to a  
25 network; and

1 a controller, coupled to the storage device and the network interface, to  
2 execute at least a subset of the plurality of executable instructions to make an  
3 assessment of current hardware and/or software resources of the computing  
4 system, and to implement a basic input/output system (BIOS) to issue a  
5 configuration request to the network via the network interface, the configuration  
6 request based on the assessment and including an identifier associated with the  
7 computing system, wherein the assessment is not initiated by the computing  
8 system, and wherein the configuration request includes a request for an application  
9 not preinstalled on the computing system.  
10

11 28. **(Original)** A computing system according to claim 27, wherein  
12 the computing system is an unconfigured computing system.  
13

14 29. **(Previously Presented)** A computing system according to claim  
15 27, wherein the controller receives one or more commands to receive and install  
16 computing system resources from network devices remote from the computing  
17 system via the network interface in response to the configuration request.  
18

19 30. **(Original)** A computing system according to claim 27, wherein  
20 the identifier is associated with the computing system and/or computing system  
21 user.  
22

23 31. **(Original)** A computing system according to claim 27, wherein  
24 the computing system is a communications device.  
25



1           32.   **(Currently Amended)**   A method comprising:  
2           issuing a configuration request from a computing system, wherein the  
3           configuration request includes an identifier associated with the computing system  
4           and/or computing system user; and  
5           receiving a response to the configuration request at the computing system,  
6           the response including one or more new computing system resources including an  
7           application not preinstalled on the computing system, wherein the one or more  
8           new computing system resources are automatically installed and configured on the  
9           computing system based, at least in part, on an assessment of current computing  
10          system resources of the computing system.

11  
12          33.   **(Original)**   A method according to claim 32, wherein the one or  
13          more computing system resources are automatically installed and configured in  
14          response to installation and configuration commands received from a remote  
15          computing system.

16  
17          34.   **(Currently Amended)**   A method according to claim 32, ~~further~~  
18          ~~comprising:~~  
19          ~~automatically updating resources of the computing system wherein the~~  
20          computing system is a communications device.

21  
22          35.   **(Original)**   A method according to claim 34, wherein the one or  
23          more system resources enable the communications device to communicate over an  
24          additional communications medium.  
25

1           36. **(Previously Presented)** A method according to claim 32,  
2 wherein the configuration request is issued from a communications device remote  
3 from the computing system associated with the computing system user, the  
4 method further comprising:

5           receiving a response to the configuration request at the communications  
6 device including one or more computing system resources, wherein the one or  
7 more computing system resources are automatically installed and configured on  
8 the computing system.